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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

The proposed charge is really disproportionate to the use I make of my cellular phone. I have two teenage sons, and keeping informed of their comings and goings is a challenge that is made easier by my TracFone. My drive time is nearly two hours a day during which time I would be incommunicado if I did not have my TracFone available for emergency calls. There have been a few times when traffic tie-ups have delayed my arrival at home, or when vehicle problems have required calls for help that could not have been made by any other means in the exurban area outside Detroit where I live and work. But I never use my cell phone for interstate business or personal communication. I cannot afford that luxury, and I do not want to subsidize people who I see with cell phones glued to their ears who think they can afford \$50 + dollar a month wireless phone bills.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael E. Maus
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members